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SUBJECT: REPLY FROM SECRETARY CLINTON TO UAE FOREIGN MINISTER

ABDULLAH BIN ZAYED AL NAHYAN

11. (U) Please deliver the following reply from Secretary Clinton to UAE Foreign Minister Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan. There will be no signed original.

12. (U) BEGIN TEXT.

Dear Mr. Minister:

Thank you for your kind letter inviting a delegation from the United States to attend the third Preparatory Committee Meeting of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA). Since signing the IRENA Statute in Sharm El Sheik, Egypt, in June 2009, the Department of State has taken an extremely active role in working with your government and other member states in developing the organizational and programmatic components of IRENA. I commend you and your UAE colleagues for all that you have done to ensure that IRENA becomes a success. The dedicated work of Dr. Sultan Al Jaber and his staff in helping to establish the IRENA headquarters in Abu Dhabi is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to our continued cooperation in its operations.

The United States will indeed send a delegation to the Preparatory Committee meeting. We will forward a list of delegation members to you soon.

Thank you again for the invitation and for your countrys commitment to IRENA and its work to promote the widespread and sustainable use of renewable energy on a global scale.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton CLINTON